

## HUMAN INTEREST NOTES

FOUND IN THE LATEST WAR BULLETINS

### Face Famine in Drugs.

London, April 17.—The blockade of Germany by the Allies will prevent England and France from getting German drugs through the medium of the United States, according to the Lancet. Already phenacetin and acetylcholine are four times their former price and phenacetin has doubled its price. While cocaine is more than double its pre-war quotation, this cannot be considered abnormal in view of the enormous demand.

It is difficult at this time to supply the medical departments of the allied armies with morphine, especially as the supply of Turkish opium has been cut off. However, a good supply of opium is obtainable from Persia and India. Stocks of atropine are low and the prices correspondingly high. Chloral hydrates and the bromides have doubled in price since the war.

### See Portents in Skies.

Paris, April 17.—Meteorological phenomena have been observed so often of late that the question is raised whether there is any relation between them and the continual artillery firing on the battle front. Abbe Moreux, director of the observatory at Bourges, says that his attention has been called frequently to singular phenomena in the sky, such as halos, crowns and luminous crosses. Many devout persons see in the latter manifestations, he says, a mystic sign of approaching victory.

Abbe Moreux says that these crosses are reflections produced by humidity in the atmosphere. He asserts that they have no connection with the artillery firing.

### Divided on Liquor Reform.

London, April 17.—The Daily News says some disquietude has been caused in Liberal circles by the rumor that some sections of Ministerial opinion are not very favorable to the scheme for the acquisition by the state of breweries and licensed houses. There is considerable public opinion in favor of state control of the trade, and the brewers also are said to be not averse to this step.

It is hoped by many Liberals that the practical difficulties may be overcome and this found the most fitting time for a step which would help the production of munitions and also promote a much-needed social reform.

### Mark Limit of Kluck Drive.

Paris, April 17.—The first monument commemorating the war has been erected at the point where General Kluck's advance was stopped between Barcy and Meaux, twenty-two miles east of Paris.

### 2,500,000 British in Field.

London, April 17.—It is impossible even for Members of Parliament to find out how many soldiers Great Britain has in training. They have put the question in the House of Commons and the War Office has refused to answer it, saying that the information would be so valuable to the enemy that it must remain secret.

A prominent official is the authority for the statement that the British troops thus far put into the field, including Canadian, New Zealand, Australian and Indian units—regulars, territorials, volunteers, and all—probably amount to 2,500,000. As the British when the war started told the French they could send but 120,000 men to help them this seems a large army.

### German Shells Drop In Swiss Territory

Delemont, Switzerland, via Paris, April 17.—German shells fell in Swiss territory Tuesday for the third time since the outbreak of the war, says the newspaper Democrat. The Germans were trying to destroy a French observation post at Pletierhausen but the summer aim was bad and the projectiles overshot their target, dropping around the town of Bournevechain. An investigation was made the following day by Swiss authorities who took fragments of shells to Berentrury for examination by an expert.

Bournevechain is on the border of the Swiss—near Porrentruy and about six miles southwest of Pletierhausen.

## FAIRFIELD

(Special to the Farmer)  
Fairfield, April 17.—Miss Ruth Holby, teacher of Sherman school, has been ill, and her place has been taken by Miss Florence Lewis. Miss Holby is planning to take a course in the Columbia University this summer.

The Fairfield High School baseball team defeated the Wakarusa Memorial team of Southport yesterday afternoon, 21-7.

About 25 new books have been added to the Fairfield Memorial library.

At the meeting of the Fairfield school board yesterday afternoon, the teachers' salaries were increased according to schedule. Miss Amy Child, daughter of Rev. F. S. Child, was appointed a teacher.

Loretta Perry and Mrs. K. M. Spalding of the Fairfield Board of Education, who were delegates to the annual convention of the D. A. R., which is being held in Washington, Miss Perry and Mrs. Spalding are local delegates.

The office of principal of Sherman school was abolished yesterday at the meeting of the school board. Superintendent W. E. Smith will assume the duties in connection with his own.

Miss Marion London has been the principal.

William H. Burr of Westport, will lecture before the members of the "Unknown Club," April 26, on "America Among Nations."

Thirteen thousand coal miners, on strike since April 1, 1914, announced that mass meetings will be held in eastern Ohio, April 20, to commemorate the anniversary of the Ludlow massacre.

T LYFORD BROTHERS B  
ERY SPRING CUSTOM SUITS BUY  
East Side and West End Y

## CONDUCTORS MUST CONTINUE TO PAY FOR BAD CURRENCY

No Redress When Counterfeit Money is Given Them on Trolley Cars.

Conductors will still have to suffer the loss of a few dollars from their purses every month through counterfeit money, as a result of inquiry made by the Trolleyman's union of the treasury department of the United States.

Charles F. Pender, a trolleyman of New Haven and a member of the union, wrote to the department asking if there is not some method by which the trolleyman will not have to suffer the loss caused by the bogus money they frequently received. He explained that at the office of the Connecticut Co. accurate count is kept of such money received and it is charged against the conductor who turns it in.

Chief Flynn of the United States Secret service wrote in reply to the query: "While we appreciate the peculiar hardship wrought to those who can ill afford to lose through operations of counterfeiters there is no remedy in the federal statutes as no provision is made for the redemption of counterfeit coins, nor for in any way reimbursing those who are compelled to surrender such contraband property."

## Officers of C. N. G. From Eight Cities Meet in Bridgeport

Thirty-three officers representing the eight cities in which the companies of the Coast Artillery corps, C. N. G., are located, met in the parlors of the Fourth company at the state armory last night for the semi-annual meeting of the officers' association. Col. Henry S. Dorsey of New London, chief of Coast Artillery corps, presided. Major Payne of New London, was secretary and read reports of the minutes of the previous meeting. The new by-laws were adopted.

## OBITUARY

### JOHN MICKMAN.

The many friends of John Mickman will be pained to learn of his death, which occurred at his home, 497 South avenue, early this morning, after a short illness of pneumonia. Mr. Mickman's death is doubly sad owing to the short time intervening between his brother Frank's death and his own. Frank having died less than six weeks ago. He was one of the oldest and best known residents of the South End, having been located there over 25 years. He was an iron moulder employed by the Bridgeport Malleable Iron Co., nearly 35 years, but recently had been employed in the park department of the city. Besides his widow he is survived by one son, William and two sisters, Mrs. Jeremiah Connors of 387 Park avenue, and Mrs. Mary Rice of Worcester, Mass.

## Get \$3,000 Worth While Family Slept

Greenwich, April 17.—The home of Robert L. McCarty, here, was robbed early yesterday while the family slept of about \$3,000 worth of silverware. Entrance was gained through a rear window.

## BRIDGEPORT INCORPORATIONS

The Bridgeport Jitney 'Bus' of Bridgeport, has filed a certificate of incorporation. The purpose is to carry people in automobiles for hire; the conduct of a general livery business in Connecticut and buying and selling of motor vehicles, etc. The capital stock authorized is \$50,000, divided into 500 shares, par value \$100. The amount of capital stock with which the corporation will begin business is \$5,000. The incorporators are Henry J. Platt, Benjamin Brooks Steiber and Theodore E. Steiber.

The Hotel Lorraine Company of Bridgeport has organized. The officers are: President—treasurer, J. S. Meltzer of Bridgeport; vice-president, John S. Meltzer of New York; secretary, James L. Meltzer of Bridgeport. These officers are also directors. The amount of capital stock authorized is \$5,000, which has been paid in in cash.

## ANNIVERSARY OF RING BATTLES

1879—Gunner Moir, former heavyweight champion of England, born in London. Like so many of the old British pugilists, Moir got his start as a boxer while in the ranks of His Majesty's fighting men. He started his professional career in 1904 by defeating Fred Barrett, but a little later he was knocked out by Charlie Wilson. That was his last defeat in several years, and after cleaning up the best heavyweights in England and he went to Australia in 1904 and defeated Peter Felix and Bill Smith. Upon his return to London the "Gunner" knocked out Jack Palmer and Tiger Smith, but in 1907 he was defeated by Tommy Burns, the Canadian who was then world's champion. Moir retained his English honors until 1908, when he was knocked out by "Iron" Hagge, who a little later, fell an easy victim to Sam Langford. After his defeat by Burns and Hagge, the "Gunner" temporarily regained his lost laurels by knocking out Bombardier Wells, but in 1913 he was put away by Wells and retired from the ring.

1869—John C. Heenan and Tom Sayers fought 42 round draw at Farnborough, Eng.

1906—Matty Matthews knocked out Billy Smith in 19th round at New York.

1902—Dave Sullivan and Austin Rice fought 20 round draw at Waterbury, Conn.

Three Red Cross nurses, who have been at the army hospital at Paignton, South Devonshire, since September, returned on the Cunard liner Orduna with shattered nerves as a result of their experience.

THE PRETTIEST FACE and the most beautiful hands are often displayed by an unassuming woman. It can easily be removed in a few days without pain by using Cyrus Wart Remover. For sale only at The Cyrus Pharmacy, 418 Fairfield Ave.

# "BILLY" SUNDAY'S



# HOT SHOT for the DEVIL!

## HIS STIRRING ATTACKS

On the Forces of Evil Are All Given TOMORROW and EVERY SUNDAY in the NEW YORK SUNDAY AMERICAN'S

## Special 4-Page "Billy" Sunday Supplement

Don't Miss a Word of His Surprising Sermon on the Devil. It Will Make You

## SMILE—AND THINK

The devil never takes a vacation.  
The devil is no fool; he is no four-flusher.  
If you get to play tag with the devil he will beat you every clip.  
The devil has been practicing for 6,000 years and he has never had appendicitis, rheumatism nor tonsillitis.

The devil's a hard scrapper. You've got to give him credit for that. But the tough old customer is getting a touch of cold feet. He is losing steam.

(From Mr. Sunday's Assault on the Devil in The SUNDAY AMERICAN)

The devil is a pretty smooth guy.  
He often grinds the axe with which God hews.  
The devil's just as sure to be at every church meeting as a thunderstorm is to overtake a Sunday School picnic.  
The devil's gang gets up, combs its hair and is forty miles on its way before a lot of you church people think of turning over in bed.

A bunch of you folks have Jesus Christ in the spare room, and the kitchen, sitting room and parlor, and the rest of the house belongs to the devil.

## Mr. Sunday's Grip on Sinners Explained

By RICHARD WASHBURN CHILD, the Famous Novelist

## "How I Make Music Win Souls"

By Mr. Sunday's Own Choir Leader, HOMER A. RODEHEAVER

## True Stories of the "Sawdust Trail"

Told by Men and Women Whom the Evangelist Has Saved

## ALL WITH TOMORROW'S

# Sunday American

The Great "Want Ad" Directory

## WATER WILL BE USED TO CHRISTEN WARSHIPS

Phoenix, Ariz., April 17.—Water instead of the customary champagne has been chosen by Governor Hunt as the christening fluid when the battleship Arizona is launched at the New York Navy Yard on June 13. As Arizona is a dry state, Governor Hunt said today he had selected water to

ken from the first flow over the spillways of the great Roosevelt dam. Miss Esther Rose, aged 17, of Prescott, was appointed by Governor Hunt as sponsor for the battleship. A committee of 50 men and women will represent the state at the launching ceremonies.

During the month of March, Canadian banks opened 23 branches, and closed 10.

## TEN BRITISH OFFICERS IN SOLITARY PRISONS

Haile-on-the-Salle, Germany, April 17.—Ten British officers, prisoners of the Germans, have been taken from the local camp of prisoners of war and placed in solitary confinement in Magdeburg. This is a measure of reprisal for the treatment by Great Britain of the crews of German subma-

rines held prisoners in England. The ten officers referred to include the son of a former British ambassador in Berlin. The name of this officer, however, is not given.

Fifteen thousand dollars collected among German-Americans was distributed to distressed German civil prisoners in South Africa by the American Consul at Cape Town.